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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

YITZCHOK FRANKEL *et al.*,  
Plaintiffs,  
v.  
REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY  
OF CALIFORNIA *et al.*,  
Defendants.

Case No.: 2:24-cv-04702

**SUPPLEMENTAL  
DECLARATION OF KAMRAN  
SHAMSA**

Judge: Hon. Mark C. Scarsi  
Hearing: May 12, 2025, 9:00 a.m.  
Courtroom: 7C

\*Admitted *pro hac vice*. ‡Not admitted to the D.C. Bar; admitted only in Texas. Supervised by licensed D.C. Bar members.

1 I, Kamran Shamsa, declare and state as follows:

2 1. I am over the age of 18 and am capable of making this declaration  
3 pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746. I have personal knowledge of all of the  
4 contents of this declaration.

5 2. I am an observant Jew. I observe Jewish holidays and Shabbat, and  
6 my Jewish faith and identity are at the core of who I am.

7 3. When I was eleven years old, my family and I immigrated to the  
8 United States from Iran.

9 4. In Iran, I remember having to be afraid of my religion. I have  
10 recollections of going to elementary school in Iran and experiencing  
11 antisemitism and persecution because of my Jewish faith.

12 5. The ability to practice my religion freely, so that I didn't have to be  
13 afraid of having an "outside" religion, was the main reason why I  
14 immigrated to America.

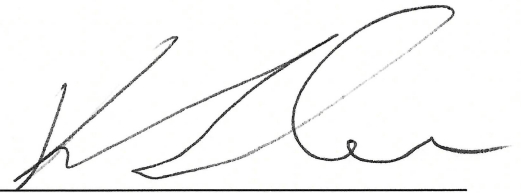
15 6. Along with my family, I regularly attend services at Eretz  
16 Synagogue and Cultural Center in Los Angeles, which includes a  
17 significant Persian Jewish community.

18 7. I have visited Israel multiple times, including most recently in  
19 2023, approximately four months before Hamas's terrorist attacks on  
20 Israel.

21 8. My religious beliefs about Israel are a core aspect of my Jewish  
22 faith. As a matter of my faith, I believe that Israel has a right to exist,  
23 that it is the homeland of the Jewish people, and that I must support  
24 Israel as a homeland for Jews. I cannot disclaim Israel or its right to  
25 exist.

26 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.  
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Executed this 4<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kamran Shamsa', written over a horizontal line.

Kamran Shamsa